

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 28, 2021

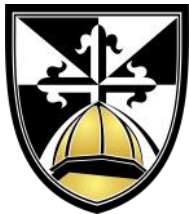
John 12:12-16

Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Philippians 2:6-11

**“My God, my God, why have
you abandoned me?”**



**St. Dominic's is a Catholic
Parish Inspired by
Dominican Spirituality
Igniting the Faith for the
Salvation of Souls**

Mass Intentions

Sun	03/28	7:00 a.m.	(D) Daniel Rowland
		9:00 a.m.	(B) Eirena Merryl Oteyza
		11:00 a.m.	(D) Msgr. Maurice 'Mickey' McCormick
		1:00 p.m.	(D) Anne Antol
		5:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish
Mon	03/29	6:45 a.m.	(D) Bill Beringer
		8:15 a.m.	(D) Alice & Paul Sinnette
Tues	03/30	6:45 a.m.	(D) Joanne Flanagan
		8:15 a.m.	(D) Jason de Joya
Wed	03/31	6:45 a.m.	(T) Priestly Intention
		8:15 a.m.	(D) Larry Fullington

Legend: (D) Deceased (H) Health
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Mass Intentions available for May starting in April
Contact Alisa aaquino@stdombenicia.org



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Kristina



Dave

**Rite of
Christsian
Initiation
for
Adults**

Holy Week Confessions Times

Monday, Wednesday: 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Confession times will last approximately one hour,
please arrive early, follow the signs, and do not gather
in the vestibule at anytime.

Mass Information

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

In Church & Live-streamed*

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. - In Church & Live-streamed*

9:00 a.m. - Outside (Small Lot)

11:00 a.m. - Outside (Small Lot)

1:00 p.m. - In Church & Live-streamed*

Daily Mass

Monday - Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

In Church & Live-streamed*

*All live-streamed Masses will be followed by
Holy Communion in front of church.



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Pastor's Corner

This week we celebrate the core of our faith: the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. We begin today with his triumphant entry into the holy city of Jerusalem. Less than a week later, the same crowd that cried "Hosanna to the son of David!" would cry "Crucify, crucify him!" We recall the Lord's Seven Last Words from the Cross with reflections from parishioners before the solemn liturgy commemorating his Passion and death. Holy Saturday is the quietest day of the year, as the Lord is dead in the tomb while the entire universe holds its collective breath waiting for the Resurrection. Finally, at the Easter Vigil, we joyfully anticipate the Lord's rising to new and everlasting life. In that joy, we will welcome two people who will be baptized and one who will be received into full communion with the Church. As of this writing, the 7:00 Easter Sunday Mass has no seats available; there will be a 7:15 Mass up at the cemetery where there is no limit on the number of attendees.

Joanne Flanagan's funeral will be on Tuesday morning. Our local chief shepherd, Bishop Jaime Soto will be the celebrant for that Mass. The Mass will be inside the church at Joanne's request. Unfortunately, the church's capacity is still limited to 100. Taking into account the Flanagan children and grandchildren, friends of the family that Dc. John has specifically invited, members of the deacon community and their wives, I am anticipating only around two dozen spaces will be available. Of course, we will do our best to accommodate all who come, but we may have to turn people away, which makes me very sad. The Mass will be live-streamed at <https://youtu.be/wFrn4iDi4sU> I appreciate your understanding.

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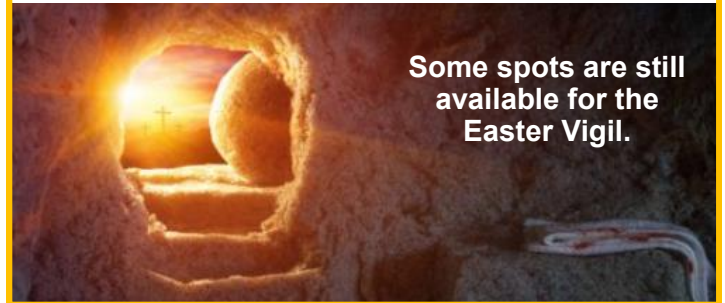


Fr. David's first public Mass in a year!

Easter Mass Reservations

Please see our full schedule for Holy Week.

**Reservations will ONLY be required for
Easter Vigil Mass and
7:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass**



O Come Let Us Adore Him!

**Available
Adoration Hours**

adoration@stdombenicia.org

- Monday 2 a.m. – Weekly
- Thursday 8 a.m. – Weekly
- Friday 7 a.m. – Weekly
- Friday 8 a.m. – Weekly
- Friday 6 p.m. – 2nd, 4th, 5th Weeks
- Saturday 3 - 6 a.m. – Weekly*

*Closing the four hour gap on Saturday early morning will allow for us to resume 24/7 Eucharistic adoration. Won't you spare an hour with our Lord?

**Open
Everyday**

**Opens 8:00 a.m.
Closes 5:00 p.m.**

First Saturday Mass
April 10, 2021
9:30 a.m.
Hope to see you there!

St. Dominic's Cemetery
East 5th St. & Hillcrest Ave.
Benicia, CA 94510



March 28, 2021 ~ Palm Sunday

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Vigil: Inside the Church*

Sunday 7:00 a.m. Mass: Inside the Church*

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass: Outside - Small Lot

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass: Outside - Small Lot

Sunday 1:00 p.m. Mass: Inside the Church*

March 29-31, 2021 ~ Daily Mass

8:15 a.m. Monday - Wednesday: Inside the Church*

April 1-3, 2021 ~ Tenebrae

8:15 a.m. Thursday - Saturday: Live-Streamed Only

April 1, 2021 ~ Holy Thursday

4:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper: Live-Streamed Only*

6:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper: Outside - Small Lot

7:30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Live-Streamed Only

April 2, 2021 ~ Good Friday

12:00 p.m. Seven Last Words of Christ Reflections: Outside - Small Lot

2:00 p.m. Passion, Veneration, & Communion: Outside - Small Lot

Seven Last Words of Christ Reflections available on YouTube.

3:00 p.m. Passion & Veneration: Live-streamed Only - followed by distribution of Holy Communion in front of the church.



April 3, 2021 ~ Easter Vigil

8:15 p.m. Vigil Mass: In the Church* - Reservation Only

The Vigil will begin in the church, not in the courtyard this year.

April 4, 2021 ~ Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. Mass: In the Church* - Reservation Only

7:15 a.m. Mass: St. Dominic's Cemetery

9:00 a.m. Mass: Outside - Small Lot

11:00 a.m. Mass: Outside - Small Lot

1:00 p.m. English/Spanish Mass: In the Church*

Watch live-streaming at www.watchstdom.com

*Liturgies inside the church will be live-streamed followed by distribution of Holy Communion in front of the church.



Volunteers Needed!

Visit our website, find this button below, and find a Mass you would like to volunteer for!
We are in desperate need for volunteers to help at the indoor and outdoor Masses. Without your help we can not safely continue Masses.



St. Dominic's presents THE SEARCH

*"This series is phenomenal! Everyone needs to watch this! I hear so many people say, what is my purpose, what is life about, does Jesus really exist, why does God allow this or that happen, etc?
Answers all and more." -Lucille*

Wednesdays

April 14 - May 26, 2021

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

This series will be held on Zoom.

To register for the sessions,
<https://forms.gle/EovYZnKT9EaRVrN9A>
Feel free to share this with friends and family.

THE SEARCH is accessible through Formed.org - an incredible online digital gateway to the best Catholic content all in one place!
Enjoy your free subscription by registering at www.stdombenicia.formed.org.



Grief Support

**"Blessed are those who mourn:
they shall be comforted."**

(MT 5:4)

COVID and grieving is a lot and we are here for you! You are not alone.

Please contact **Patti Erickson**
at consolation@stdombenicia.org
or leave a phone message at 707.745.3502.

St. Dominic School 2021 Science Fair

We Need Judges!

If you are interested in supporting the science fair and our future scientists, please contact Monica Lira at wmlira@att.net.

THE PROVINCIAL Gala

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Each year, Bishop Soto extends an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to practicing adult Catholics of the Diocese of Sacramento who have received religious instruction, but for various reasons were never confirmed.

The next celebration of the **Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled (COVID-19 restrictions permitting) May 22nd/23rd potentially at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacramento.**

Candidates will be prepared at the parish level by completing a minimum of 8 sessions held over a series of **Sundays beginning March 21, 2021, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.** via video-conferencing. Sacrament preparation will include prayer, scripture and a review of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

To participate the candidate must be a baptized Catholic, who has received catechetical instruction at least up to receiving the Eucharist (First Communion), be either unmarried or in a marriage recognized as valid by the Catholic Church, have a recent copy of their Baptismal Certificate issued within the past 6 months, and have a Confirmation sponsor who must be a confirmed, practicing Catholic and at least 16 years of age.

For questions or further information, please contact Deacon Errol Kissinger at ekissinger@stdombenicia.org.



ST. DOMINIC'S TEEN MINISTRIES

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP, & FUN

YR I Confirmation

March 15

Teen Small Group Gathering with Catechist
6:30-7:30 p.m. – The zoom link will arrive by March 15 at 5 p.m.

March 22

Parent/Teen Large Group Gathering with Fr. Gregory
6:30-7:30 p.m. – The zoom link will arrive by March 22 at 5 p.m.

YR II Confirmation

March 14

Teen Large Group Gathering with Catechist
6:30-8:00 p.m. - The zoom link will arrive by 5 p.m. on March 14.

March 21

Teen Large Group Gathering with Catechist
6:30-7:30 p.m. -The zoom link will arrive by 5 p.m. on March 21.

Youth Ministry

Serve at the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano

Parent/Teen service opportunity. Sign up at <https://www.foodbankccs.org/>

Diocesan Youth Ministry Gathering – Navigate

The theme for this month's Navigate gathering is "Weathering the Storm." It will take place on Sunday, March 14th at 6:30 p.m. via zoom or YouTube. All teens are welcome! Please go to scd.org/navigate for the link.

Knots for Love Service Project

Make blankets for the newly baptized babies of our Parish. All supplies provided.

Camp Pendola Zoom Hangout

A diocesan opportunity for teens to gather on Monday, March 15th from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Meet new friends and create a seasonal craft. RSVP at www.pendola.org

Cards for Caring

Make homemade Easter cards for various members of our community. All supplies provided. Many cards are needed!

Adoration

Join the youth of St. Dominic's for an evening of Adoration on Monday, March 22nd from 6:30-7:00 p.m. Please email Lisa at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org to receive the link.

Podcast - Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz

Have you ever struggled to read the Bible? If so, this podcast is for you! Join Fr. Mike Schmitz as he takes listeners through the Bible in 365, daily episodes. To access this podcast, go to the *Bible 1 Yr* tab on the myParish App.

For more information please contact Lisa Toomey at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org or 707.335.4697.

Sunday Worship Aid

John 12:12-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John:

When the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: "Hosanna! "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel." Jesus found an ass and sat upon it, as is written: Fear no more, O daughter Zion; see, your king comes, seated upon an ass's colt. His disciples did not understand this at first, but when Jesus had been glorified they remembered that these things were written about him and that they had done this for him.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Isaiah 50:4-7

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:

The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me laugh at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the Lord; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him."

Indeed many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes upon me; they have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But

you, O Lord, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the Lord, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him; all you descendants of Israel!"

Philippians 2:6-11

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians:

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from

the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick during the Pandemic

O God, our refuge in trials, our strength in sickness, our comfort in sorrow, spare your people, we pray, and hear our prayers for all who are sick: Grant them, we implore you, your merciful help, so that, with their health restored, they may give you thanks in the midst of the Church.

Your Only-Begotten Son took on our human nature and bore our infirmities; protect and strengthen also we pray, nurses, doctors, first responders, and all others on the front line of this pandemic, who put themselves in harm's way to serve the needs of others.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe	Pray for us!
St. Joseph	Pray for us!
St. Patrick	Pray for us!
Holy Father St. Dominic	Pray for us!

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark:

The Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread were to take place in two days' time. So the chief priests and the scribes were seeking a way to arrest him by treachery and put him to death. They said, "Not during the festival, for fear that there may be a riot among the people."

When he was in Bethany reclining at table in the house of Simon the leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of perfumed oil, costly genuine spikenard. She broke the alabaster jar and poured it on his head. There were some who were indignant. "Why has there been this waste of perfumed oil? It could have been sold for more than three hundred days' wages and the money given to the poor." They were infuriated with her. Jesus said, "Let her alone. Why do you make trouble for her? She has done a good thing for me. The poor you will always have with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them, but you will not always have me. She has done what she could. She has anticipated anointing my body for burial. Amen, I say to you, wherever the gospel is proclaimed to the whole world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."

Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve, went off to the chief priests to hand him over to them. When they heard him they were pleased and promised to pay him money. Then he looked for an opportunity to hand him over.

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

When it was evening, he came with the Twelve. And as they reclined at table and were eating, Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him, one by one, "Surely it is not I?" He said to them, "One of the Twelve, the one who dips with me into the dish. For the Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born."

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will have your faith shaken, for it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be dispersed. But after I have been raised up, I shall go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though all should have their faith shaken, mine will not be." Then Jesus said to him, "Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows twice you will deny me three times." But he vehemently replied, "Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you." And they all spoke similarly.

Then they came to a place named Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter, James, and John, and began to be troubled and distressed. Then he said to them, "My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch." He advanced a little and fell to the ground and prayed that if it were possible the hour might pass by him; he said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me, but not what I will but what you will." When he returned he found them asleep. He said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test.

The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak." Withdrawing again, he prayed, saying the same thing. Then he returned once more and found them asleep, for they could not keep their eyes open and did not know what to answer him. He returned a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? It is enough. The hour has come. Behold, the Son of Man is to be handed over to sinners. Get up, let us go. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Then, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a crowd with swords and clubs who had come from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. His betrayer had arranged a signal with them, saying, "The man I shall kiss is the one; arrest him and lead him away securely." He came and immediately went over to him and said, "Rabbi." And he kissed him. At this they laid hands on him and arrested him. One of the bystanders drew his sword, struck the high priest's servant, and cut off his ear. Jesus said to them in reply, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs, to seize me? Day after day I was with you teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest me; but that the Scriptures may be fulfilled." And they all left him and fled. Now a young man followed him wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body. They seized him, but he left the cloth behind and ran off naked.

They led Jesus away to the high priest, and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes came together. Peter followed him at a distance into the high priest's courtyard and was seated with the guards, warming himself at the fire. The chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin kept trying to obtain testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death, but they found none. Many gave false witness against him, but their testimony did not agree. Some took the stand and testified falsely against him, alleging, "We heard him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with hands and within three days I will build another not made with hands.'" Even so their testimony did not agree. The high priest rose before the assembly and questioned Jesus, saying, "Have you no answer? What are these men testifying against you?" But he was silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him and said to him, "Are you the Christ, the son of the Blessed One?" Then Jesus answered, "I am; and 'you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.'" At that the high priest tore his garments and said, "that further need have we of witnesses? You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?" They all condemned him as deserving to die. Some began to spit on him. They blindfolded him and struck him and said to him, "Prophesy!" And the guards greeted him with blows.

While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the high priest's maids came along. Seeing Peter warming himself, she looked intently at him and said, "You too were with the Nazarene, Jesus." But he denied it saying, "I neither know nor understand what you are talking about." So he went out into the outer court. Then the cock crowed. The maid saw him and began again to say to the bystanders, "This man is one of them." Once again he denied it. A little later the bystanders said to Peter once more, "Surely you are one of them; for you too are a Galilean." He began to curse and to swear, "I do not know this man about whom you are talking." And immediately a cock crowed a second time. Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had said to him, "Before the cock crows twice you will deny me three times." He broke down and wept.

As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so." The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him, "Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of." Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast he used to release to them one prisoner whom they requested. A man called Barabbas was then in prison along with the rebels who had committed murder in a rebellion. The crowd came

forward and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered, "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate again said to them in reply, "Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?" They shouted again, "Crucify him." Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" They only shouted the louder, "Crucify him." So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. They began to salute him with, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. They knelt before him in homage. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him out to crucify him.

They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. They brought him to the place of Golgotha — which is translated Place of the Skull —, They gave him wine drugged with myrrh, but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his garments by casting lots for them to see what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." With him they crucified two revolutionaries, one on his right and one on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself by coming down from the cross." Likewise the chief priests, with the scribes, mocked him among themselves and said, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also kept abusing him.

At noon darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And at three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which is translated, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "Look, he is calling Elijah." One of them ran, soaked a sponge with wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink saying, "Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to take him down." Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

The veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

There were also women looking on from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of the younger James and of Joseph, and Salome. These women had followed him when he was in Galilee and ministered to him. There were also many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

When it was already evening, since it was the day of preparation, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a distinguished member of the council, who was himself awaiting the kingdom of God, came and courageously went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate was amazed that he was already dead. He summoned the centurion and asked him if Jesus had already died. And when he learned of it from the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. Having bought a linen cloth, he took him down, wrapped him in the linen cloth, and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph watched where he was laid. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday Worship Aid for 1:00 p.m.

Juan 12:12-16

+ Lectura del santo Evangelio según san Juan:

En aquel tiempo, al enterarse la gran muchedumbre que había llegado para la fiesta, de que Jesús se dirigía a Jerusalén, cortaron hojas de palmera y salieron a su encuentro, gritando: "¡Hosanna! ¡Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor, el rey de Israel! Habiendo encontrado Jesús un burrito, lo montó, como está escrito: No tengas temor, hija de Sión, mira que tu rey viene a ti montado en un burrito. Sus discípulos no entendieron estas cosas al principio, pero cuando Jesús fue glorificado, se acordaron de que habían sido escritas acerca de él y que ellos las habían cumplido. Palabra del Señor.

Gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Isaías 50:4-7

Lectura del libro del profeta Jeremías:

En aquel entonces, dijo Isaías: "El Señor me ha dado una lengua experta, para que pueda confortar al abatido con palabras de aliento. Mañana tras mañana, el Señor despierta mi oído, para que escuche yo, como discípulo. El Señor Dios me ha hecho oír sus palabras y yo no he opuesto resistencia ni me he echado para atrás. Ofrecí la espalda a los que me golpeaban, la mejilla a los que me tiraban de la barba. No aparté mi rostro de los insultos y salvazos. Pero el Señor me ayuda, por eso no quedaré confundido, por eso endurecí mi rostro como roca y sé que no quedaré avergonzado. Palabra de Dios.

Te alabamos, Señor.

Salmo 21:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24

Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?

Al verme se burlan de mí, hacen visajes, menean la cabeza: "Acudió al Señor, que lo ponga a salvo; que lo libre si tanto lo quiere."

Me acorrala una jauría de mastines, me cerca una banda de malhechores: me taladran las manos y los pies, puedo contra mis huesos.

Se reparten mi ropa, echan a suerte mi túnica. Pero tu Señor, no te quedes lejos; fuerza mía, ven corriendo a ayudarme.

Contare tu fama a mis hermanos, en medio de la asamblea te alabare. Fieles del Señor, alábenlo, linaje de Jacob, glorifiquenlo, témanle, linaje de Israel.

Filipenses 2:6-11

Lectura de la carta a los hebreos:

Cristo, siendo, Dios, no considero que debía aferrarse a las prerrogativas de su condición divina, sino que, por el contrario, se anonado, a si mismo, tomando la condición de siervo, y se hizo semejante a los hombres. Así, hecho un de ellos, se humillo a si mismo y por obediencia acepto incluso la muerte, y una muerte de cruz. Por eso Dios lo exalto sobre todas las cosas y le otorgo el nombre que esta sobre todo nombre, para que, al nombre de Jesús, todos doblen la rodilla en el cielo, en la tierra, y en los abismos, y todos reconozcan públicamente que Jesucristo es el Señor, para gloria de Dios Padre.

Palabra de Dios.

Te alabamos, Señor.

Profesión de Fe

Creo en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador del cielo y de la tierra, de todo lo visible y lo invisible.

Creo en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no creado, de la misma naturaleza del Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros, los hombres y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo, y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre; y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato, padeció y fue sepultado, y resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, y subió al cielo, y está sentado a la derecha del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin.

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Amén.

Oración para los Enfermos durante la Pandemia

O Dios, refugio nuestro en dificultades, nuestra fortaleza en la enfermedad, nuestro consuelo en la congoja, protege a tu pueblo, te lo pedimos, y escucha nuestras oraciones por todos los que están enfermos: Concédeles, te imploramos, tu misericordiosa ayuda, para que, con su salud restaurada, ellos puedan darte gracias en tu Iglesia.

Tu Hijo Unigénito tomó nuestra naturaleza humana y cargó con nuestras debilidades; protege y fortalece, también te lo rogamus, a enfermeros, doctores, a aquellos respondiendo en primeros auxilios, y a los que están en la primera línea de esta pandemia, quienes se ponen en peligro al servir a otros en sus necesidades.

Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, quien vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un Dios, por los siglos de los siglos.

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Pasión de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según san Marcos:

Faltaban dos días para la fiesta de Pascua y de los panes Ázimos. Los sumos sacerdotes y los escribas andaban buscando una manera de apresar a Jesús a traición y darle muerte, pero decían: "No durante las fiestas, porque el pueblo podría amotinarse".

Estando Jesús sentado a la mesa, en casa de Simón el leproso, en Betania, llegó una mujer con un frasco de perfume muy caro, de nardo puro; quebró el frasco y derramó el perfume en la cabeza de Jesús. Algunos comentaron indignados: "¿A qué viene este derroche de perfume? Podía haberse vendido por más de trescientos denarios para dárselos a los pobres". Y criticaban a la mujer; pero Jesús replicó: "Déjenla. ¿Por qué la molestan? Lo que ha hecho conmigo está bien, porque a los pobres los tienen siempre con ustedes y pueden socorrerlos cuando quieran; pero a mí no me tendrán siempre. Ella ha hecho lo que podía. Se ha adelantado a embalsamar mi cuerpo para la sepultura. Yo les aseguro que en cualquier parte del mundo donde se predique el Evangelio, se recordará también en su honor lo que ella ha hecho conmigo".

Judas Iscariote, uno de los Doce, se presentó a los sumos sacerdotes para entregarles a Jesús. Al oírlo, se alegraron y le prometieron dinero; y él andaba buscando una buena ocasión para entregarlo.

El primer día de la fiesta de los panes Ázimos, cuando se sacrificaba el cordero pascual, le preguntaron a Jesús sus discípulos: "¿Dónde quieres que vayamos a prepararte la cena de Pascua?" Él les dijo a dos de ellos: "Vayan a la ciudad. Encontrarán a un hombre que lleva un cántaro de agua; síganlo y díganle al dueño de la casa en donde entre: 'El Maestro manda preguntar: ¿Dónde está la habitación en que voy a comer la Pascua con mis discípulos?' Él les enseñará una sala en el segundo piso, arreglada con divanes. Prepárennos allí la cena". Los discípulos se fueron, llegaron a la ciudad, encontraron lo que Jesús les había dicho y prepararon la cena de Pascua.

Al atardecer, llegó Jesús con los Doce. Estando a la mesa, cenando, les dijo: "Yo les aseguro que uno de ustedes, uno que está comiendo conmigo, me va a entregar". Ellos, consternados, empezaron a preguntarle uno tras otro: "¿Soy yo?" Él respondió: "Uno de los Doce; alguien que moja su pan en el mismo plato que yo. El Hijo del hombre va a morir, como está escrito: pero, ¡ay del que va a entregar al Hijo del hombre! ¡Más le valiera no haber nacido!"

Mientras cenaban, Jesús tomó un pan, pronunció la bendición, lo partió y se lo dio a sus discípulos, diciendo: "Tomen: esto es mi cuerpo". Y tomando en sus manos una copa de vino, pronunció la acción de gracias, se la dio, todos bebieron y les dijo: "Ésta es mi sangre, sangre de la alianza, que se derrama por todos. Yo les aseguro que no volveré a beber del fruto de la vid hasta el día en que beba el vino nuevo en el Reino de Dios".

Después de cantar el himno, salieron hacia el monte de los Olivos y Jesús les dijo: "Todos ustedes se van a escandalizar por mi causa, como está escrito: Heriré al pastor y se dispersarán las ovejas; pero cuando resucite, iré por delante de ustedes a Galilea". Pedro replicó: "Aunque todos se escandalicen, yo no". Jesús le contestó: "Yo te aseguro que hoy, esta misma noche, antes de que el gallo cante dos veces, tú me negarás tres". Pero él insistió: "Aunque tenga que morir contigo, no te negaré". Y los demás decían lo mismo.

Fueron luego a un huerto, llamado Getsemaní, y Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Siéntense aquí mientras hago oración". Se llevó a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan; empezó a sentir terror y angustia, y les dijo: "Tengo el alma llena de una tristeza mortal. Quédense aquí, velando". Se adelantó un poco, se postró en tierra y pedía que, si era posible, se alejara de él aquella hora. Decía: "Padre, tú lo puedes todo: aparta de mí este cáliz. Pero que no se haga lo que yo quiero, sino lo que tú quieres".

Volvió a donde estaban los discípulos, y al encontrarlos dormidos, dijo a Pedro: "Simón, ¿estás dormido? ¿No has podido velar ni una hora? Velen y oren, para que no caigan en la tentación. El espíritu está pronto,

pero la carne es débil". De nuevo se retiró y se puso a orar, repitiendo las mismas palabras. Volvió y otra vez los encontró dormidos, porque tenían los ojos cargados de sueño; por eso no sabían qué contestarle. Él les dijo: "Ya pueden dormir y descansar. ¡Basta! Ha llegado la hora. Miren que el Hijo del hombre va a ser entregado en manos de los pecadores. ¡Levántense! ¡Vamos! Ya está cerca el traidor".

Todavía estaba hablando, cuando se presentó Judas, uno de los Doce, y con él, gente con espadas y palos, enviada por los sacerdotes, los escribas y los ancianos. El traidor les había dado una contraseña, diciéndoles: "Al que yo bese, ése es. Deténganlo y llévenselo bien sujeto". Llegó, se acercó y le dijo: "Maestro". Y lo besó. Ellos le echaron mano y lo apresaron. Pero uno de los presentes desenvainó la espada y de un golpe le cortó la oreja a un criado del sumo sacerdote. Jesús tomó la palabra y les dijo: "¿Salieron ustedes a apresarme con espadas y palos, como si se tratara de un bandido? Todos los días he estado entre ustedes, enseñando en el templo y no me han apesado. Pero así tenía que ser para que se cumplieran las Escrituras". Todos lo abandonaron y huyeron. Lo iba siguiendo un muchacho, envuelto nada más con una sábana y lo detuvieron; pero él soltó la sábana y se le escapó desnudo.

Condujeron a Jesús a casa del sumo sacerdote y se reunieron todos los pontífices, los escribas y los ancianos. Pedro lo fue siguiendo de lejos, hasta el interior del patio del sumo sacerdote y se sentó con los criados, cerca de la lumbre, para calentarse.

Los sumos sacerdotes y el sanedrín en pleno, buscaban una acusación contra Jesús para condenarlo a muerte y no la encontraban. Pues, aunque muchos presentaban falsas acusaciones contra él, los testimonios no concordaban. Hubo unos que se pusieron de pie y dijeron: "Nosotros lo hemos oído decir: 'Yo destruiré este templo, edificado por hombres, y en tres días construiré otro, no edificado por hombres' ". Pero ni aun en esto concordaba su testimonio. Entonces el sumo sacerdote se puso de pie y le preguntó a Jesús: "¿No tienes nada que responder a todas esas acusaciones?" Pero él no le respondió nada. El sumo sacerdote le volvió a preguntar: "¿Eres tú el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios bendito?" Jesús contestó: "Sí lo soy. Y un día verán cómo el Hijo del hombre está sentado a la derecha del Todopoderoso y cómo viene entre las nubes del cielo". El sumo sacerdote se rasgó las vestiduras exclamando: "¿Qué falta hacen ya más testigos? Ustedes mismos han oído la blasfemia. ¿Qué les parece?" Y todos lo declararon reo de muerte. Algunos se pusieron a escupirle, y tapándole la cara, lo abofeteaban y le decían: "Adivina quién fue", y los criados también le daban de bofetadas.

Mientras tanto, Pedro estaba abajo, en el patio. Llegó una criada del sumo sacerdote, y al ver a Pedro calentándose, lo miró fijamente y le dijo: "Tú también andabas con Jesús Nazareno". Él lo negó, diciendo: "Ni sé ni entiendo lo que quieres decir". Salió afuera hacia el zaguán, y un gallo cantó. La criada, al verlo, se puso de nuevo a decir a los presentes: "Ése es uno de ellos". Pero él lo volvió a negar. Al poco rato, también los presentes dijeron a Pedro: "Claro que eres uno de ellos, pues eres galileo". Pero él se puso a echar maldiciones y a jurar: "No conozco a ese hombre del que hablan". En seguida cantó el gallo por segunda vez. Pedro se acordó entonces de las palabras que le había dicho Jesús: 'Antes de que el gallo cante dos veces, tú me habrás negado tres', y rompió a llorar.

Luego que amaneció, se reunieron los sumos sacerdotes con los ancianos, los escribas y el sanedrín en pleno, para deliberar. Ataron a Jesús, se lo llevaron y lo entregaron a Pilato. Éste le preguntó: "¿Eres tú el rey de los judíos?" Él respondió: "Sí lo soy". Los sumos sacerdotes lo acusaban de muchas cosas. Pilato le preguntó de nuevo: "¿No contestas nada? Mira de cuántas cosas te acusan". Jesús ya no le contestó nada, de modo que Pilato estaba muy extrañado.

Durante la fiesta de Pascua, Pilato solía soltarles al preso que ellos pidieran. Estaba entonces en la

cárcel un tal Barrabás, con los revoltosos que habían cometido un homicidio en un motín. Vino la gente y empezó a pedir el indulto de costumbre. Pilato les dijo: "¿Quieren que les suelte al rey de los judíos?" Porque sabía que los sumos sacerdotes se lo habían entregado por envidia. Pero los sumos sacerdotes incitaron a la gente para que pidieran la libertad de Barrabás. Pilato les volvió a preguntar: "¿Y qué voy a hacer con el que llaman rey de los judíos?" Ellos gritaron: "¡Crucifícalo!" Pilato les dijo: "Pues ¿qué mal ha hecho?" Ellos gritaron más fuerte: "¡Crucifícalo!" Pilato, queriendo dar gusto a la multitud, les soltó a Barrabás; y a Jesús, después de mandarlo azotar, lo entregó para que lo crucificaran.

Los soldados se lo llevaron al interior del palacio, al pretorio, y reunieron a todo el batallón. Lo vistieron con un manto de color púrpura, le pusieron una corona de espinas que habían trenzado y comenzaron a burlarse de él, dirigiéndole este saludo: "¡Viva el rey de los judíos!" Le golpeaban la cabeza con una caña, le escupían y, doblando las rodillas, se postraban ante él. Terminadas las burlas, le quitaron aquel manto de color púrpura, le pusieron su ropa y lo sacaron para crucificarlo.

Entonces forzaron a cargar la cruz a un individuo que pasaba por ahí de regreso del campo, Simón de Cirene, padre de Alejandro y de Rufo, y llevaron a Jesús al Gólgota (que quiere decir "lugar de la Calavera"). Le ofrecieron vino con mirra, pero él no lo aceptó. Lo crucificaron y se repartieron sus ropas, echando suertes para ver qué le tocaba a cada uno.

Era media mañana cuando lo crucificaron. En el letrero de la acusación estaba escrito: "El rey de los judíos". Crucificaron con él a dos bandidos, uno a su derecha y otro a su izquierda. Así se cumplió la Escritura que dice: Fue contado entre los malhechores.

Los que pasaban por ahí lo injuriaban meneando la cabeza y gritándole: "¡Anda! Tú que destruías el templo y lo reconstruías en tres días, sálvate a ti mismo y baja de la cruz". Los sumos sacerdotes se burlaban también de él y le decían: "Ha salvado a otros, pero a sí mismo no se puede salvar. Que el Mesías, el rey de Israel, baje ahora de la cruz, para que lo veamos y creamos". Hasta los que estaban crucificados con él también lo insultaban.

Al llegar el mediodía, toda aquella tierra se quedó en tinieblas hasta las tres de la tarde. Y a las tres, Jesús gritó con voz potente: "Eloí, Eloí, ¿lemá sabactaní?" (que significa: Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?). Algunos de los presentes, al oírlo, decían: "Miren, está llamando a Elías". Uno corrió a empapar una esponja en vinagre, la sujetó a un carrizo y se la acercó para que bebiera, diciendo: "Vamos a ver si viene Elías a bajarlo". Pero Jesús, dando un fuerte grito, expiró.

Entonces el velo del templo se rasgó en dos, de arriba a abajo. El oficial romano que estaba frente a Jesús, al ver cómo había expirado, dijo: "De veras este hombre era Hijo de Dios".

Había también ahí unas mujeres que estaban mirando todo desde lejos; entre ellas, María Magdalena, María (la madre de Santiago el menor y de José) y Salomé, que cuando Jesús estaba en Galilea, lo seguían para atenderlo; y además de ellas, otras muchas que habían venido con él a Jerusalén.

Al anochecer, como era el día de la preparación, víspera del sábado, vino José de Arimatea, miembro distinguido del sanedrín, que también esperaba el Reino de Dios. Se presentó con valor ante Pilato y le pidió el cuerpo de Jesús. Pilato se extrañó de que ya hubiera muerto, y llamando al oficial, le preguntó si hacía mucho tiempo que había muerto. Informado por el oficial, concedió el cadáver a José. Éste compró una sábana, bajó el cadáver, lo envolvió en la sábana y lo puso en un sepulcro excavado en una roca y tapó con una piedra la entrada del sepulcro. María Magdalena y María, la madre de José, se fijaron en dónde lo ponían.

Palabra del Señor.

Gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

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If you are willing to come out and pray one hour on Wednesday's, please make sure you are healthy, wear a mask, and maintain a 6' social distance from other prayer partners. The prayer vigil will take place in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 303 Sacramento St., Vallejo, CA. All prayer vigil participants are requested to pray for peace, pledging to conduct themselves in a Christ-like manner at all times. For information about 40 Days for Life in Vallejo/Benicia/American Canyon, visit: www.40daysforlife.com/Vallejo/Benicia/Am.Cyn.



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